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DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

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November 17, 2005

Mr. Stephen Bloch, Staff Attorney Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance 425 E. 100 S. Salt Lake City, UT 84111

Re: Proposed Horse Canyon Extension—Lila Canyon Mine

In reply please refer to case no 05-0305

Dear Mr. Bloch:

We are in receipt of your November 8, 2005 letter regarding the proposed Lila Canyon Mine, and appreciate your effort to educate us about the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations.

In a letter dated March 1, 2005, the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (DOGM) asked the Utah State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) for concurrence regarding the effects of the project on three archaeological sites: 42EM2255, 42EM2256, and 42EM2517. In a letter dated March 22, 2005, the SHPO concurred with a determination of No Historic Properties Affected for 42EM2255 and 2256, and with a determination of Adverse Effect for 42EM2517. DOGM stated that the information provided "... is not inclusive of all surveys in the area, but includes pertinent or current surveys," and stated that DOGM "considers that the permit should receive clearance without additional stipulations." The information provided to the SHPO was specific to the three archaeological sites only, and our concurrence was restricted to the effects of the project on those three sites, not the effects of the project in its entirety.

If you have additional questions, please contact me at 801-533-3524, or by email at ktjones@utah.gov.

Kevin T. Jones

State Archaeologist

CC: D. Wayne Hedberg, DOGM

Enclosure: 3/22/05 letter



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March 22, 2005

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RE: Lila Canyon Extension, UtahAmerican Energy, Inc., Horse Canyon Mine, C/007/0013, #2055, Outgoing File

In Reply Please Refer to Case No. 05-0305

Dear Mr. Hedberg:

The Utah State Historic Preservation Office received the referenced information on March 10, 2005. After consideration of the consultation request in behalf of the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining, the Utah Preservation Office provides the following comments per U.A.C. 9-8-404.

Section 404 Consultation DOGM; USHPO concurs with the determination of No Historic Properties Affected for EM 2255 and 2256. The BLM is proposing mitigation for EM 2517, therefore a determination of Adverse Effect is appropriate for EM 2517. However, the BLM recovery plan for site EM2517 will likely mitigate that adverse effect. Of course, that determination rests with the BLM.

This information is provided on request to assist with state law responsibilities. As specified in U.A.C. 9-8-404 final determinations concerning cultural resources are the State Lead Agency's. If you have questions, please contact me at (801) 533-3552. My e-mail address is wmartin@utah.gov

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State Historic Preservation Officer - Utah

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